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In Re application of)
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 For : DEVICES FOR)
 GUIDING A)
 PARTIAL WIDTH)
 WEB, GUIDE)
 ELEMENT FOR)
 GUIDING)
 A PARTIAL)
 WIDTH WEB AND)
 PROCESSING)
 MACHINE)
 COMPRISING SAID)
 DEVICES)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the accompanying verified translation of the German language text of PCT/DE2003/002526, filed July 26, 2003; published as WO 2004/014770 A1 on February 19, 2004, and claiming priority to DE 102 35 391.3 filed August 2, 2002, the verified translation forming the entire specification and claims of the subject U.S. patent application, as filed, prior to an examination of the application on the merits, and prior to the calculation of the filing fee, as follows.